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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims

1-18 (Cancelled)

- 19. (New) A vegetation block comprising:
 - a concrete block; and
- a fiber aggregate outer layer disposed on an outer surface of the concrete and configured to support plant growth;

wherein the fiber aggregate outer layer comprises intertwined fibers and vertically oriented fibers which enter into the concrete block and interconnect the fiber aggregate outer layer to the outer surface of the concrete block.

- 20. (New) The vegetation block according to claim 19, further comprising natural rubber which is sprayed onto the mat-shaped fiber aggregate.
- 21. (New) The vegetation block according to claim 19, wherein the outer layer body further comprises thermoplastic polymer fibers mixed with fibers of the fiber aggregate.
- 22. (New) The vegetation block according to claim 19, wherein the concrete block comprise aggregates of uniform grain size, and has a porosity of about 10 to 25%.
- 23. (New) The vegetation block according to claim 22, wherein the grain size of the aggregates has a sieve range of 10mm 25mm.

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- 24. (New) The vegetation block according to claim 19, wherein the fiber aggregate contains at least one of: plant seeds, a fertilizer, and a water retainer.
- 25. (New) The vegetation block according to claim 24, wherein the water retainer comprises paper pulp.
- 26. (New) The vegetation block according to claim 19, wherein the fibers of the fiber aggregate comprise vegetable fibers.
- 27. (New) The vegetation block according to claim 19, further comprising a reinforcing member embedded in the concrete block.
- 28. (New) The vegetation block according to claim 27, wherein the reinforcing member is provided with a connection member which projects out from the block main body and which is connectable to an adjacent block.
- 29. (New) The vegetation block according to claim 28, wherein the connection portion has a ring shape.
- 30. (New) The vegetation block according to claim 19, wherein the fiber aggregate outer layer comprises a mat of a multiply needled, pressed fiber aggregate stack which is configured to have the intertwined fibers and the vertically oriented fibers which enter the concrete and interconnect the mat to the outer surface of the concrete block.